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T'owon-ni Armed Self-Defense Unit, North Hamgyong Province

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1. [] the headquarters of the T'owon-ni Armed Self-Defense Unit was in T'owon-dong (N 40-50, E 129-32) (EA-4520), in a house 30 meters long and 8 meters wide, with a tile roof and mud walls. The chief of the unit was KANG Hak-sun (1302/?/?), a former North Korean army (NKA) officer. All of the unit members lived in the unit's headquarters. 50X1-HUM
2. The unit, composed of 35 men, had eight members from Hwangam-dong (EA-461186), eight from Yong-dong (EA-450220), seven from Changp'o (EA-450230), five each from Nungsan-dong (EA-440247) and T'owon-dong and one each from Hu-ri (EA-461180) and Chongho (EA-461176). The member from Hu-ri was KANG Hak-kwon (1203/?/?), [] The member from Chongho was [] The eight members of the unit from Hwangam-dong were the following: 50X1-HUM

a. KIM Kwang-mun (6855/0342/2429) []
People's Self-Defense Unit.

b. KIM Song-nok (6855/2052/4845) []

c. KIM Song-tam (6855/2052/3389) []
member.

d. KIM Song-tok (6855/2052/1795) []

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e. KIM T'aek-yong (6855/3419/7893)

f. KIM Yong-tök (6855/7893/1795)

g. YI Chung-hwa (2621/6850/5478)

h. YI Yöng-nam (2621/3057/3948)

3. [redacted] there were five sentry boxes in T'owon-ni at EA-462188, EA-465176, EA-466190, EA-471198, and EA-476203. Four members of the People's Self-Defense Units of each village¹ were recruited to man these posts, and one member of the Armed Self-Defense Unit was sent to supervise them. The chief of the Armed Self-Defense Unit received his instruction from the Chongmun-dong (N 40-51, E 129-35) (EA-4922) Branch Police Station, and sent a messenger to get the code every night, later transmitting this code to each member of his unit. Two men were assigned to check all of the sentry boxes three times a night, check all pedestrians in the area after 10 p.m., and watch for incidents. When enemy ships were sighted offshore, the guards fired their weapons and dispatched a man to headquarters for further directions. The chief of the unit and the other members were always standing by for such an emergency. All members of the unit were armed with rifles and two F/1 defensive hand grenades.

Taegi-ri Self-Defense Unit, Hwanghae Province

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4. [redacted] the Taegi-ri (N 37-54, E 125-05) (XB-8396) Self-Defense Unit, Hwanghae Province, comprised 25 members. Eligible for service with the unit were men between the ages of 18 and 55, with the exception of those disabled. Military training was given once or twice a week by a local policeman. The unit was to be alert against espionage activities, investigate the movement of people, and guard the coastal area. The members were called the Reserve, since they could be enlisted into the North Korean army.

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5. Five to six members of the unit composed a patrol team, which was led by a local policeman or the chief of the unit. They were on patrol from 10 p.m. to 2. a.m. every night, armed with rifles. The leader of one patrol team was YI Sun-ku (2621/7311/0046)

[redacted] Comment. Probably refers to the villages mentioned in paragraph 2.

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